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- 1. USLO CONCURS IN DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION THAT CONGEN OFFICERS NOT REPEAT NOT PARTICIPATE IN TAIPEI CONFERENCE ON MAINLAND CHINA. IN ADDITION TO CONCERN MENTIONED REFTEL, PARTICIPATION BY CONGEN ELEMENTS COULD VERY WELL JEOPARDIZE PROGRAM OF PEKING CONSULTATIONS FOR CONGEN WHICH WE ARE SPONSORING.
- 2. ON BROADER QUESTION OF OFFICIAL USG PARTICIPATION
 AT SUCH A CONFERENCE, WE SERIOUSLY QUESTION WHETHER ANY
 U.S. GOVERNMENT PRESENCE IS DESIRABLE. ROC MIGHT WELL
 CHOOSE TO PUBLICIZE ATTENDANCE BY EMBASSY TAIPEI REPS
 IN EFFORT TO UNDERMINE U.S.-PRC RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY
 COMING AS CONFERENCE DOES SHORTLY AFTER SECRETARY'S VISIT TO
 PEKING. WE REALIZE THAT CANCELLATION OF ACCEPTANCES
 BY EMBASSY TAIPEI OFFICIALS WOULD BE
 EMBARRASSING, BUT WE STRONGLY URGE DEPARTMENT TO TAKE
 WHATEVER MEASURES POSSIBLE TO MINIMIZE OR ELIMINATE
 OFFICIAL U.S. ASSOCIATION WITH CONFERENCE.
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